

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims to read as follows:

Listing of Claims

1. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising:

a first device; and

a second device connected to the first device in an attachable/detachable or fixed manner,

the first device comprising:

a first communication means for communicating section that communicates with a fifth communication means section of an external communication device;

a second communication means for communicating section that communicates with the second device; and

a first control section for controlling processing in the first communication means section, the second communication means section, and the first device,

the second device comprising:

a third communication means for communicating section that communicates with the second communication means section;

a fourth communication means for communicating section that communicates with a sixth communication means section of the

communication device or a communication device which is different from the communication device; and

a second control section for controlling processing in the third communication means section, the fourth communication means section, and the second device.

2. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein on responsive to receiving a third process command from the first communication means section, the first control section sends the third process command or a command corresponding to the process command to the third communication means section via the second communication means section,

the second control section once holds a response to the command received via the third communication means section, processes a first process request received via the fourth communication means section, and sends a second process request which is the held response to the second communication means section via the third communication means section in a case where a new process is required in processing the first process request, and

the first control section processes the second process request received via the second communication means section, and

sends the process response to the third communication means section via the second communication means section.

3. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the first device comprises an output means for outputting section that outputs information,

on responsive to receiving a third process command from the first communication means section, the first control section sends the third process command or a command corresponding to the process command to the third communication means section via the second communication means section,

the second control section once holds a response to a command received via the third communication means section, processes the first process request received via the fourth communication means section, and sends information produced as a result of the processing of the first process request as the held response to the second communication means section via the third communication means section, and

the first control section sends the information received via the second communication means section to the output means section.

4. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the first device comprises an output means for outputting section that outputs information,

on responsive to receiving a third process command from the first communication means section, the first control section sends the third process command or a command corresponding to the process command to the third communication means section via the second communication means section,

the second control section once holds a response to the command received via the third communication means section, processes a first process request received via the fourth communication means section, and sends additional information added to the first process request as the held response to the second communication means section via the third communication means section, when in response to the processing of the first process request is being completed, and

the first control section sends the additional information received via the second communication means section to the output means section.

5. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the first communication

~~means~~ section performs communication in a communication system which does not have any directivity, and

the fourth communication ~~means~~ section performs communication in a communication system having the directivity or by a point-blank range.

6. (Currently Amended) An information processing apparatus comprising: a first device; and a second device connected to the first device in an attachable/detachable or fixed manner,

the first device comprising:

a communication section which communicates with an external communication terminal;

a first communication means for detecting section that detects the communication of the communication section;

a second communication means for communicating section that communicates with the second device; and

a first control section which performs the communication section, the first communication ~~means~~ section, the second communication ~~means~~ section, and control of a process in the first device,

the second device comprising:

a third communication means for communicating section that communicates with the second communication ~~means~~ section;

~~a fourth communication means for communicating~~ section that communicates with the communication terminal via the communication section; and

a second control section which performs controls the operation of the third communication means section, the fourth communication means section, and ~~control of~~ controls a process in the second device.

7. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein in the first device, in response to the communication section receives receiving a first process request from the communication terminal,

the first communication means section detects the reception, and the first control section sends a third process command to the third communication means section via the second communication means section,

in the second device, the second control section once holds a response to the third process command received via the third communication means section,

the fourth communication means section receives the first process request via the communication section, and

the second control section processes the first process request received via the fourth communication means section, and

sends a second process request which is the held response to the second communication means section via the third communication means section in a case where a new process is required in processing the first process request, and

thereby the first control section processes the second process request received via the second communication means section, and sends the process response to the third communication means section via the second communication means section.

8. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the first device comprises an output means for outputting section that outputs information,

in the first device, in response to the communication section receives receiving the first process request from the communication terminal,

the first communication means section detects the reception, and the first control section sends a third process command to the third communication means section via the second communication means section,

in the second device, the second control section once holds a response to the third process command received via the third communication means section,

the fourth communication means section receives the first process request via the communication section, and

the second control section processes the first process request received via the fourth communication means section, and sends information produced as a result of the processing of the first process request as the held response to the second communication means section via the third communication means section, and

wherein the first control section sends the information received via the second communication means section to the output means section.

9. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the first device comprises an output means for outputting section that outputs information,

in the first device, in response to the communication section receives receiving a first process request from a communication terminal,

the first communication means section detects the reception, and the first control section sends the third process command to the third communication means section via the second communication means section,

in the second device, the second control section once holds a response to the third process command received via the third communication means section,

the fourth communication means section receives the first process request via the communication section, and

the second control section processes the first process request received via the fourth communication means section, and sends additional information added to the first process request as the held response to the second communication means section via the third communication means section, when in response to the processing of the first process request is being completed, and

wherein the first control section sends the additional information received via the second communication means section to the output means section.

10. (Currently Amended) The information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the fourth communication

means section performs communication in a communication system having directivity or by a point-blank range.

11. (Original) The first device according to any one of claims 1 to 10.

12. (Original) The second device according to any one of claims 1 to 10.

13. (Currently Amended) A communication device which communicates with the information processing apparatus according to any one of claims 1 to 10, the communication device comprising:

~~a fifth communication means for communicating~~ section that communicates with the first communication means section of the information processing apparatus; and

~~a sixth communication means for communicating~~ section that communicates with the fourth communication means section of the information processing apparatus,

wherein the sixth communication means section sends, to the fourth communication means section, a first process request with respect to a second device of the information processing apparatus,

the fifth communication means section sends, to the first communication means section, a process command with respect to a first device of the information processing apparatus before sending the first process request, and

the process command is a process command to perform a process in cooperation with the processing of the first process request.

14. (Currently Amended) A communication device which communicates with an information processing apparatus comprising two or more communication means sections, the communication device comprising:

~~a fifth communication means for communicating~~ section that communicates with the first communication means of the information processing apparatus; and

~~a sixth communication means for communicating~~ section that communicates with the fourth communication means section of the information processing apparatus,

wherein the sixth communication means section sends, to the fourth communication means section, a first process request with respect to the information processing apparatus, and

the fifth communication means section sends, to the first communication means section, a process command to perform a

process in cooperation with the processing of the first process request before sending the first process request.

15. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein responsive to receiving a third process command from the first communication section, the first control section sends the third process command or a command corresponding to the process command to the third communication section via the second communication section,

the second control section processes a first process request received via the fourth communication section, and sends a second process request, as a response to the command received from the third communication section, to the second communication section via the third communication section in a case where a new process is required in processing the first process request, and

the first control section processes the second process request received via the second communication section, and sends the process response to the third communication section via the second communication section.

16. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the first device comprises an output section for outputting information,

responsive to receiving a third process command from the first communication section, the first control section sends the third process command or a command corresponding to the process command to the third communication section via the second communication section,

the second control section processes the first process request received via the fourth communication section, and sends information produced as a result of the processing of the first process request, as a response to the command received from the third communication section, to the second communication section via the third communication section, and

the first control section sends the information received via the second communication section to the output section.

17. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 1, wherein the first device comprises an output section for outputting information,

responsive to receiving a third process command from the first communication section, the first control section sends the third process command or a command corresponding to the process command to the third communication section via the second communication section,

the second control section processes a first process request received via the fourth communication section, and sends additional information added to the first process request, as a response to the command received from the third communication section, to the second communication section via the third communication section, when in response to the processing of the first process request is being completed, and

the first control section sends the additional information received via the second communication section to the output section.

18. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein in the first device, in response to the communication section receiving a first process request from the communication terminal, the first communication section detects the reception, and the first control section sends a third process command to the third communication section via the second communication section,

in the second device,

the fourth communication section receives the first process request via the communication section, and

the second control section processes the first process request received via the fourth communication section, and sends

a second process request, which is a response to the command received from the third communication section, to the second communication section via the third communication section in a case where a new process is required in processing the first process request,

wherein the first control section processes the second process request received via the second communication section, and sends the process response to the third communication section via the second communication section.

19. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the first device comprises an output section for outputting information,

in the first device, in response to the communication section receiving the first process request from the communication terminal,

the first communication section detects the reception, and the first control section sends a third process command to the third communication section via the second communication section,

in the second device,

the fourth communication section receives the first process request via the communication section, and

the second control section processes the first process request received via the fourth communication section, and sends information produced as a result of the processing of the first process request, as a response to the command received from the third communication section, to the second communication section via the third communication section,

wherein the first control section sends the information received via the second communication section to the output section.

20. (New) The information processing apparatus according to claim 6, wherein the first device comprises an output section for outputting information,

in the first device, in response to the communication section receiving a first process request from a communication terminal,

the first communication section detects the reception, and the first control section sends the third process command to the third communication section via the second communication section,

in the second device,

the fourth communication section receives the first process request via the communication section, and

the second control section processes the first process request received via the fourth communication section, and sends additional information added to the first process request, as a response to the command received from the third communication section, to the second communication section via the third communication section, when in response to the processing of the first process request is being completed,

wherein the first control section sends the additional information received via the second communication section to the output section.